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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

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Also enclosed are copies of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,619,026; 5,891,240; 6,037,984 and 6,146,773 along with two articles titled "Digital Watermarking of Raw and Compressed Video" and "Watermarking of MPEG-2 Encoded Video Without Decoding and Re-Coding".

It should be understood that attention has been called to the references that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed references and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Respectfully submitted,



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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,619,026	4/8/97	Chou et al.	235	462	
	5,891,240	4/6/99	Morton Greene	117	7	
	6,037,984	3/14/00	Isnardi et al.	348	403	
	6,146,773	11/14/00	Wittich Kaule	428	611	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	"Digital Watermarking of Raw and Compressed Video" by Hartung et al., Telecommunications Institute, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, April, 1996, SPIE Vol. 2952, pps. 205-213
	"Watermarking of MPEG-2 Encoded Video Without Decoding and Re-Coding" by Hartung et al., Telecommunications Institute, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, SPIE Vol. 3020, pps. 264-274

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